Amendment No. 1 to HB0332

<u>DeBerry J</u> Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 856

it.

House Bill No. 332*

by deleting all language following the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37, Chapter 5, Part 6, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

The department shall give the highest level of priority in investigating reports of abuse to any report that comes from a school teacher, school principal, school administrator, other school personnel, mental health professional, law enforcement official, or health provider, based on the expertise of the reporting individual. All such reports shall be investigated by the department.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring